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REMARKS

Claims 1-7 and 12-15 are pending in the above application.

The final Office Action dated June 28, 2005, has been received and carefully reviewed. In that Office Action, claims 1-7 and 12-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kim. Claim 15 was objected to for depending from claim 1 rather than claim 14, and this objection has been addressed by the above amendment. By the above amendment, claim 2 has been rewritten in independent form, claim 1 has been cancelled, and claims formerly dependent on claim 1 have been amended to depend from claim 2. Reconsideration and allowance of claims 2-7 and 12-15 is respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and following remarks.

Claim 2 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kim. By the above amendment, claim 2 has been rewritten in independent form, but has not been substantively changed. Claim 2 requires, *inter alia*, a plurality of wiring boards having wiring patterns identical in board side wiring groups. The only wiring boards in Kim that are alleged to have wiring patterns identical in board side wiring groups are the boards 210, 210' in the embodiment of Kim's Figure 4. It is respectfully submitted that boards of Kim's other embodiments, such as those shown in Figure 5, do not have identical wiring patterns. It is also submitted that boards 210 and 226 of Kim do not have identical board side wiring groups. As discussed below, boards 210, 210' of Kim do not satisfy the remaining limitations of claim 2, and it is respectfully submitted that claim 2 is allowable over the references of record.

Claim 2 requires a plurality of wiring boards having a board side wiring group composed of element connected wiring electrically connected to the driving circuit element and first and second non-connected wiring having no electrical connection to the driving circuit element. Boards 210, 210' of Kim each have element connected wiring and non-connected wiring. Claim 2 further requires panel side wiring connecting element connecting wiring of the first wiring board and first non-connected wiring of the second wiring board. However, Figure 4 of Kim shows two wiring boards on which the element connecting wiring of one board is connected to element connecting wiring of a second board and on which non-connected wiring of the one board is connected to non-connecting wiring of the second board. Note that the boards are

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identical and the interconnections appear to be symmetric. There is no showing or suggestion that element connecting wiring of one board be connected by panel side wiring to non-connecting wiring of a second board as required by claim 2. Claim 2 is submitted to be allowable for at least this reason.

Claims 3-7, 12 and 13 depend from claim 2 and are submitted to be allowable for the same reasons as claim 2.

Claim 14 also stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kim. Claim 14 requires a first wiring board having a driving circuit element for driving a display panel, a first wiring path connected to the driving circuit element, a second wiring path and a third wiring path. Claim 14 also requires a second wiring board <u>identical</u> to the first wiring board. Panel side connection wiring connects the second path of the first wiring board to the first wiring path of the second wiring board. Only the connection of identical wiring paths on two boards is shown by Kim. Claim 14 and its dependent claim 15 are therefore submitted to be allowable for at least this reason.

CONCLUSION

Each issue raised in the Office Action dated June 28, 2005, has been addressed, and it is believed that claims 2-7 and 12-15 are in condition for allowance. Wherefore, reconsideration and allowance of these claims is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Scott Wakeman (Reg. No. 37,750) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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